



## New York, New York Public Library, Spencer Collection, NYPL Spencer Greek 002

*Description:* ff. 241 - Old (original?) binding; dark brown leather over thick (10 mm.) wooden boards; front is blind-stamped with a cross in the middle surrounded by two frames with vegetal ornament. Remains of clasps. - Purchased by NYPL from a dealer in Florence, Italy, in 1958. - Nadezhda Kavrus-Hoffmann, "Catalogue of Greek Medieval and Renaissance Manuscripts in the Collections of the United States of America. Part II: The New York Public Library," Manuscripta 50.1 (2006) 21-76, here 55-59.

*Number of Parts:* 1 - *Number of Images Available:* 8

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*Language:* Greek *Country:* Undetermined *Century:* 12th

### Part 1: ff. 1r-241v

*Description:* - Parchment - 315/16 x 240 mm - Two cols.; written in 25 lines; interlinear space 9.5-11mm.

*Country:* Undetermined

*Cardinal point:*

*Region:*

*City:*

*Assigned Date:* s. XII/XIII

*Searchable Date Range:* 1150 - 1210

*Dated by scribe:* No

*Inscribed Date:*

*Document:* No

*Number of Scribes:* ;1

*Scribe(s):* Constantine

*Script:* Liturgical minuscule

*Figurative Decoration:* Headpiece depicting the Deesis on f. 1r.

*Other Decoration:* Several headpieces decorated with intertwined circles (f. 27v), palmettes (f. 59r and f. 112v), two birds in arches (f. 76r), palmettes in guilloche (f. 141v), and interlace ornament (f. 168v). Major initials show standing evangelists; some zoomorphic.

*Notes:* Scribe left his name on f. 113r and f. 168r (bottom margins); note in Byzantine cryptographic system on f. 234r. Greek

*Number of Texts:* 7

### Text 1: ff. 1r-27v

*Title:* Readings

*Language(s):* Greek

*Notes:* Daily readings from the gospel of John. Part of Synacharion (ff. 1r-204r).

f. 1r Headpiece with a deesis; anthropomorphic initial (evangelist John).



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f. 10r Initial epsilon with a blessing hand.



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### Text 2: ff. 27v-76r

*Title:* Readings

*Language(s):* Greek

*Notes:* Daily readings from the gospel of Matthew. Part of Synacharion (ff. 1r-204r). Lacuna between ff. 49v and 50r: ...καὶ ὁ ἐν τῷ ἀγρῷ ἐπιστρέψας // ὑμῖν ὅτι ἐνὶ πάσιν ὑπάρχουσιν...

### Text 3: ff. 76r-141v

*Title:* Readings

*Language(s):* Greek

*Notes:* Daily readings from the gospel of Luke. Part of Synacharion (ff. 1r-204r).

f. 95r Quire signature.



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### Text 4: ff. 141v-168r

*Title:* Vigils (Παννυχίδες-Νηστεῖαι)

*Language(s):* Greek

*Notes:* Part of Synacharion (ff. 1r-204r).

*f. 168r* Name of the scribe in bottom margin.



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**Text 5:** ff. 168v-197r

*Title:* Passions ( Πάθη)

*Language(s):* Greek

*Notes:* Part of Synacharion (ff. 1r-204r). Lacuna between ff. 196v and 197r:...ἥτις ἐστὶν μετὰ τὴν παρασκευὴν//  
//μαθητεύσατε πάντα τὰ ἔθνη...

*f. 168v* Headpiece; zoomorphic initial epsilon (snake, bird) with a blessing hand



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**Text 6:** ff. 197r-204r

*Title:* Morning Lessons (Ἑωθινά)

*Language(s):* Greek

*Notes:* Part of Synacharion (ff. 1r-204r).

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**Text 7:** ff. 204v-241v

*Title:* Μηνολόγιον σὺν Θεῷ ἀγίῳ Menologion

*Language(s):* Greek

*Incipit:* ἀρχὴ τῆς ἰνδικτιῶνος καὶ μνήμη τοῦ ὁσίου πατρὸς ἡμῶν Συμεῶν τοῦ Στυλίου

*Explicit:* τῆς θυγατρὸς αὐτοῦ Ἑρφιδιάδος

*Status of text:* Ending defectively.

*f. 221v* Portrait of the evangelist Matthew in margin.



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*f. 234r* A prayer by the scribe in bottom margin written in a cryptographic system.



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*f. 241v* Snake swallowing a person forms an initial tau.



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